



## FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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August 30, 2011

Ms. Rhonda Harmon  
Committee to re-elect Rhonda Harmon,  
Rosemead School Board Trustee

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Re: Warning Letter  
FPPC No. 11/279; Committee to re-elect Rhonda Harmon, Rosemead School Board  
Trustee, November 3, 2009; and Rhonda Harmon

Dear Ms. Harmon:

The Fair Political Practices Commission ("FPPC") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act ("Act"),<sup>1</sup> found in Government Code section 81000, et seq. This letter is in response to a non-filer referral from the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk that alleged you failed to file a semi-annual statement in connection with the November 3, 2009 Rosemead School Board Election.

The FPPC has completed its investigation of the facts in this case. Specifically, the FPPC found that you failed to file a semi-annual statement for the period covering July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 by the January 31, 2011 deadline.

The Act requires that candidates and their committees file campaign statements at periodic intervals. Specifically the Act provides that elected officers, candidates, and committees shall file semi-annual statements. (Section 84200.)

Your actions violated the Act because you failed to file your semi-annual statement even after Los Angeles County sent you two written notifications of your filing obligations. However, because you have filed your statement by the deadline instructed in the Enforcement Division's letter, and you do not have an enforcement history, we are closing this matter with a warning letter.

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<sup>1</sup> The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

This letter serves as a written warning. The information in this matter will be retained and may be considered should an enforcement action become necessary based on newly discovered information or future conduct. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act in the future will result in monetary penalties of up to \$5,000 for each violation.

A warning letter is an FPPC case resolution without administrative prosecution or fine. However, the warning letter resolution does not provide you with the opportunity for a probable cause hearing or hearing before an Administrative Law Judge or the Fair Political Practices Commission. If you wish to avail yourself of these proceedings by requesting that your case proceed with prosecution rather than a warning, please notify us within ten (10) days from the date of this letter. Upon this notification, the FPPC will rescind this warning letter and proceed with administrative prosecution of this case. If we do not receive such notification, this warning letter will be posted on the FPPC's website ten (10) days from the date of this letter.

Although the FPPC is not seeking a penalty in the current matter, you are still responsible for any late filing fees assessed by the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk. (Section 91013.)

The FPPC publishes forms and manuals to facilitate compliance with the provisions of the Act. If you need forms or a manual, or guidance regarding your obligations, please call the FPPC's Technical Assistance Division at 1-866-275-3772. Please also visit our website at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov).

Please feel free to contact Teri Rindahl at (916) 327-2018, with any questions you may have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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Gary S. Winuk, Chief  
Enforcement Division



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cc: Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk